

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their career and volunteer endeavors; and

Whereas, Linda Kerns of Jefferson City, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a member of the graduating class of 1984 from Parkview High School in Springfield; and

Whereas, currently serving as a Legislative Assistant for the Honorable Jim Viebrock, state representative from the One Hundred Thirty-fourth District, Linda Kerns recently enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when her book, Faith of Our Fathers, was accepted for publication by Walsworth Publishing in Marceline; and

Whereas, Faith of Our Fathers consists of submissions of religious pictures and histories by readers of "Rural Missouri" interspersed with poems by Linda Kerns; and

Whereas, Linda Kerns has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for her additional efforts as an AmeriCorps volunteer who tutored children in reading through the Republic Reading program, assisted victims of Hurricane Katrina for three weeks, and helped at the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross by answering phones; and

Whereas, Linda Kerns is the daughter of a Baptist minister and journeyman carpenter, Tom Parker, and his wife, Vada Parker, from Troy, Tennessee; and

Whereas, Linda Kerns is justifiably proud also to be known as the sibling of Lee and Cindy Parker and of Luke and Kathleen Parker and as the aunt of five boys and two girls; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative activities in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Linda Kerns at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life of Linda Kerns and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon the publication of her book, Faith of Our Fathers; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Linda Kerns of Jefferson City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative James Viebrock
District No. 134

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker